

Title of Report:	Consultation Report
Committee Report Submitted To:	Environmental Services Committee
Date of Meeting:	14 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
For Decision or For Information	For Information

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)			
Strategic Theme			
Outcome			
Lead Officer	Director of Environmental Services		

Budgetary Considerations			
Cost of Proposal	Nil		
Included in Current Year Estimates			
Capital/Revenue			
Code			
Staffing Costs			

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.			
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	No	Date:	
	EQIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:	
Rural Needs Assessment	Screening Completed	No	Date:	
(RNA)	RNA Required and Completed:	No	Date:	
Data Protection Impact	Screening Completed:	No	Date:	
Assessment (DPIA)	DPIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:	

## 1. Department for the Economy

(correspondence dated 7th December 2021)

## COMBINED HEAT AND POWER: PATHWAY TO DECARBONISATION CALL FOR EVIDENCE

The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) is seeking input, via a Call for Evidence, to inform the future reform and development of combined heat and power (CHP) policy. It is important that views are captured from stakeholders in Northern Ireland to better inform policy development. There are already a number of local CHP schemes registered within the Combined Heat and Power Quality Assurance Programme (CHPQA) but there may be opportunities for additional registrations for larger energy users, as part of a future pathway to decarbonisation.

The consultation closes at 11:45pm on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and is available at:

Combined heat and power: pathway to decarbonisation call for evidence - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

CHPQA which is a voluntary initiative by the UK Government to monitor, assess and improve the performance of the UK CHP Schemes provides certification for good quality CHP. Further details can be found at:

<u>Combined Heat and Power Quality Assurance Programme - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>.

The Programme ensures, through an annual assessment process, that all CHP plants participating meet a required level of energy efficiency.

BEIS is committed to increasing the UK's CHP capacity because of the considerable environmental, economic and social benefits it can bring as well as its contribution to security of supply.

The Department for the Economy anticipates that as NI further develops its approach to renewables that CHP technology can, in appropriate settings, reduce energy use.

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